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Re: Superior Renewable Energy LLC v. Montana Dakota Utilities Co.

Greetings:

Enclosed please find the original and ten copies of Superior Renewable Energy, LLC's Request for Scheduling Order. I suggest we find out the first dates the Commission is available to hear the matter. Dave and I can then consult with our clients to determine which dates work.

I would not think we would need to attempt to coordinate with the interveners. If we can agree on a date, we can then enter a stipulation. If not, the Commission will have to act on our request.

Sincerelly yours,

Mark V. Meierhenry

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA

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IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPLAINT FILED BY SUPERIOR RENEWABLE ENERGY LLC ET AL. AGAINST MONTANA DAKOTA) Docket No. EL04-016 UTILITIES CO. REGARDING THE JAVA WIND PROJECT

REQUEST FOR SCHEDULING ORDER

Comes now Superior Renewable Energy and requests that a hearing date be established in this docket. Superior further requests that the Commission establish other necessary dates in order to effectively bring this matter to hearing.

Dated this Mday of August, 2004.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

This is to certify that on August 20, 2004, a copy Superior Renewable Energy LLC's Request for Scheduling Order was forwarded to the following by United States certified mail, return receipt requested, in accordance with South Dakota Codified Law:

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